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Contributory Provident Fund System

* 60 *Q.*—Sri G. KRISHNAMOORTHY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Contributory Provident Fund System is applicable to teachers of secondary schools under private managements in the Kanyakumari district; and

(*b*) if not, whether there is any proposal to introduce that system in their cases?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: (*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) Does not arise.

Sri G. KRISHNAMOORTHY: May I know, Sir, from what date this Contributory Provident Fund Scheme is enforced in respect of these teachers?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: This takes effect from 1st January 1962.

Sri G. KRISHNAMOORTHY: Was the question examined whether it should not be allowed to take effect from the date of merger of that district with this State?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: There was the other fund, Sir, in force before the 1st January 1962, viz., the Acceded Secondary School Teachers Contributory Provident Fund. That was in existence up to the 1st of January 1962. Option was given to the teachers to continue under the old scheme or come over to the new scheme, that is, Contributory Provident Fund-*cum*-Insurance-*cum*-Pension Scheme.

Sri G. KRISHNAMOORTHY: Is it an additional commitment to the aided school management and, if so, have the Government ensured that the managements pay this additional contribution?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: There will be no difficulty about it.

Theft of milk powder and vegetable oil

* 61 *Q.*—Sri T. P. SRINIVASAVARADAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any instances of theft of milk powder and vegetable oil intended for distribution among school children in Attur, Salem district, have been brought to the notice of the Government; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken or proposed to be taken thereon?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: (*a*) Yes, Sir. There were four cases.

(*b*) Of the four cases, two resulted in the conviction of the culprits and two are under investigation.